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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

RE:

WT Docket No. 00-32

Dear Ms. Salas:

This is to inform the Commission that the following representatives of the National Public Safety Telecommunications Council ("NPSTC") met today with Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Chief Thomas Sugrue and other members of the Bureau staff to discuss the need for an allocation in the 4.9 GHz band for broadband public safety radio communications:

> Harlin McEwen, International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) Alan Caldwell, International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC) Robert Gurss, Counsel for Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials-International, Inc. (APCO)

The views presented during the meeting were consistent with those set forth in the prior written submissions of NPSTC and its member organizations in this proceeding.

Please contact the undersigned should the Commission have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Sugrue, Esquire

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